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MS PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continuation divisional
 continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of
pending prior Application No. 09/539,385 filed on March 31, 2000,
the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by
reference,
by

Hideaki FUJITA, Yorishige ISHII, Toshihiro TAMURA, Yukio KURATA

for

OPTICAL DEVICES MADE WITH VACUUM-BAKED FILMS

1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
2. The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

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		LARGE ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY		
BASIC FEE		\$750.00		\$375.00		
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	15-20 =	0	x 18 =	\$0.00	x 9 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2-3 =	0	x 84 =	\$0.00	x 42 =	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$280.00		+ \$140.00	
		TOTAL	\$1,030.00		\$0.00	

3. A check in the amount of \$1,030.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
 - a. --This application is a continuation divisional continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/539,385, filed on March 31, 2000, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120; and this application claims priority of Application Nos. Hei 11(1999)-195388 and Hei 11(1999)-090528 filed in Japan on July 9, 1999, and March 31, 1999, respectively under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--
 - b. --This application is a continuation divisional continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/539,385, filed on March 31, 2000 and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Application No. 09/539,385 is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/____/____ filed on ____ under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority of Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--

6. Enclosed is/are eight (8) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.

7a. A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/539,385 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.

7b. The current application qualifies for small entity status.

8. The prior application is assigned to Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha.

9. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

10a. Priority of Application No(s). Hei 11(1999)-195388 and Hei 11(1999)-090528 filed in Japan on July 9, 1999, and March 31, 1999, respectively is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on June 14, 2000.

10b. Priority of International Appln. _____ filed on _____ under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and _____ Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

11. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

12. Address all future communications to:

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13. An extension of time for _____ () month(s) until _____ has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/539,385 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.

14. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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